



## NEWS OF STRATHCOONA

**LOCALS.**  
The death took place in the general hospital, yesterday morning of Mrs. Charles Johnson, of Strathcoona, formerly Miss Violet Palmer. The deceased was taken ill several weeks ago with appendicitis, and despite the best medical aid gradually sank. She leaves a child a little over a year old and a husband to mourn their loss.

The pulpit of the Metropolitan Methodist Church was occupied morning and evening Sunday, by Rev. John Doyle, secretary of Young People's work in Alberta, who preached two eloquent sermons.

Rev. A. D. Miller, of Alberta College, preached last night in the Presbyterian Church. Rev. J. M. Miller, the pastor, preached in Westminster Church, Edmonton.

In the afternoon at Knox Church Sunday School an able address on the evils of cigarette smoking was given by Dr. May to the young men's class.

On Saturday afternoon at Strathcoona curling rink, a team skiped by P. Bowen, defeated an Edmonton team, skiped by E. H. Garrison, by one point. This was the last of a series of three games, two of which were won by Bowen.

Word has been received from Rev. Mr. Scott of Fort William, that he

is unable to accept the invitation to the Baptist Church in Strathcoona. A call has also been extended to Rev. Mr. Charles Vincent, of Dauphin, Man. C. A. Curtis received news on Saturday of the death at Regina, Sask., on February 14th, of Francis, the two-year-old child of Mrs. Curtis' sister, Mrs. Gillespie, who visited in Strathcoona several weeks ago. The child was on his way home only a few hours.

Mrs. Curtis has returned home to Clearwater after spending a few days with her son, Joe, who has been laid up with an attack of rheumatism.

It is reported that R. T. Telford, M.L.A., Leduc, will enter an appeal in the decision dismissing the libel case instituted by him against the "Galaxy" Herald. A. L. Marx, of Downe and Marks, Strathcoona, is acting for Mr. Telford.

A Jap on his way to Strathcoona spent a few hours in the lock-up in Leduc on Wednesday. He was held in connection with the search for the murderer in the Taylor case, but an examination by the mounted police revealed the fact that he is not the man they are after.

Two rinks from Strathcoona are expected to go on to the Red Deer house on Wednesday. One will be skiped by P. Bowen.

## CONDEMNNS CANADA TEMPERANCE ACT

Closing Day of British Columbia Local Option League Brings Forceful Statement of Rev. Action Powell That This Legislation Was Tactical Blunder.

Vancouver, Feb. 19.—The feature of the closing day of the third annual convention of the British Columbia local option league was the declaration of Rev. Newton Powell that the league had made a great tactical blunder in introducing the Canada Temperance Act. It would have been infinitely better to have secured the local prohibition of getting down to work on educational lines.

We can never win the day in British Columbia under the Canada Temperance Act, was his verdict.

The league, he said had been discarded at the bar of public opinion. The best thing they could do was to demand the old league and form a new one with a different policy, throwing over the Canada Temperance Act and going in for the provincial local option law.

There were many dissenting voices to Powell's opinion. Rev. Dr. Spencer strongly opposed the suggestion and urged an appeal for subscription of at least \$10,000 this year for the cause.

## A MONTREAL DIVINE EXPIRES IN CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Mowatt, of Eskine Church, Became Unconscious as Service Was Beginning and Passed Away in Vain Almost Immediately Afterwards Without Recovering Consciousness.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—When I saw him I felt as if he was one dead," from Revelation 1, 17, was the text chosen by the Rev. Dr. Mowatt, of Eskine Church, for his sermon this morning, the subject being "The Vision of the Church."

The choir was singing the introductory hymn to the sermon when he suddenly fell to the floor, unconscious. The choir of the congregation noticed that their pastor was in distress. Willing arms bore him to the vestry where he passed away immediately without recovering consciousness.

Dr. Mowatt was seventy-two years of age and had been in ill health for some months. Two months ago he headed in his resignation, but was asked to resign pending the appointment of his successor. He came to Montreal from John, N.B., in 1909.

Tonight, Rev. Dr. Scott, who was assisting at the service this morning, delivered the sermon. Dr. Mowatt was to have preached, to a thankful congregation.

## TAFT MAY CALL EXTRA SESSION

FIRST AUTHENTICATED STATEMENT FROM PRESIDENT GIVES BY McCALL.

CANADA MAY GET AN EVEN BETTER BARGAIN

Washington, February 18.—President Taft and the administration are seriously considering whether it would not be desirable to permit the amendment of the Canadian agreement by adding to the American free list several manufactured articles used by the farmers, those amendments, if made will be in the nature of free gifts to Canada, and will therefore not be expected to nullify the agreement.

Washington, Feb. 18.—The first authoritative statement that President Taft will call an extra session of Congress if the Senate fails to act on the McCall bill, carrying into effect the Canadian reciprocity, came today. Mr. McCall himself, following an interview with the President at the White House.

According to Mr. McCall's announcement, the President feels that there is a possibility of the Senate's failure to act on the bill, and that it is necessary to secure action on the reciprocity agreement. That session would be called immediately following the adjournment of Congress at noon on March 4th. While it is the evident purpose of the President, in permitting the announcement of Mr. McCall to avoid an extra session by the Senate, it is also the purpose of the President to act upon the agreement, it is the opinion of many about the Capitol that in all probability the statement has come too late. Few senators are sanguine enough to predict that action would be taken on the agreement in the upper branch of congress at this season, while some insist that there will be a vote.

With the appropriations bill in a badly compromised condition, with the former case pending, with the permanent tariff board bill pressing for consideration with the general service pension bill being urged by the senators and with the resolution for the removal of senators coming up daily as the unfinished business, it seems that the prospect of action upon the Canadian reciprocity agreement are slight. There is also the prospect that the former case may be disposed of on Wednesday following a speech which Senator Lorimer will make in his own behalf but there is no apparent likelihood of early votes on any of the other mentioned.

Opponents of the reciprocity agreement in the Senate are viewing with suspicion the proposed conditions relating in that body. The demands of the public business are such that a vote on reciprocity can be avoided easily without the appearance of a filibuster. The bill probably will not be reported out of the finance committee before Thursday at the earliest. At that time there will remain only seven and a half legislative days of the present session.

Following his interview with Mr. Taft, McCall also made the interesting announcement that the President would veto any tariff legislation passed by the Democratic house and approved by a merely Democratic senate if that should be necessary to maintain the Republican party's protective principles.

**Great Northern Into Winnipeg.**  
Feb. 18.—Controller Harry, Herman Douglas, A. M. Fraser, J. M. Chambers, H. S. Middleton and T. Ryan, sent, returned today from St. Paul, after a conference with J. J. Hill, and announced definitely that the Midland Railway (Great Northern) will begin operations in the spring on the entrance to Winnipeg, and that the company's first one on Pacific street, between Ross and Pacific avenues.

**Seven Lost Their Lives.**  
Buxton, Va. Virginia, Feb. 18.—Seven persons lost their lives in a fire which destroyed the home of J. D. Martin in this city early today. Only Mr. Martin escaped, the six remaining members of his family and a little girl who was made her home with the Martins perished in the flames.

**PREMIER SIFTON DISCREDITS RUMOR.**  
"I have had no communication from the Standard Trust Company," said Premier Sifton to the Bulletin last night, when asked whether there was any truth in the rumor that the Trust Company had refused to sign the bonds of the A. and G. W. Railway.

The premier returned to Edmonton evening after an absence from the city of a week. He knew of no fresh developments in the A. and G. W. situation, and discredited the rumor that further complications had arisen through non-signature of the bonds by the Standard Trust Company, the department.

## ENGLAND SIDES WITH AMERICA

REACHING PARTING OF WAYS WITH RUSSIA AS RESULT OF CHINESE TROUBLE.

London, Feb. 18.—England is at the parting of the ways with Russia. This statement was obtained tonight from a reliable, although confidential source very close to the British foreign office.

From a number of other sources it was also learned tonight that the English diplomats continue Russia's Chinese aggression and threat to occupy Korea as a definite standpoint by the Chair of England's friendship.

England has long been recognized by the powers as friendly to China and the break with Russia is further emphasized by the obvious fact that Russia is co-operating with Japan.

English diplomats figure that Russia's attitude is plainly calculated to force England to choose between Japan, to whom she is bound by the Anglo-Japanese treaty, and the United States, to whom she is bound by blood and kinship.

In the event of a crisis, it is admitted here that English public opinion, should the temperance party over the Canadian annexation incident, would completely side with America, even to the extent of breaking the Anglo-Japanese treaty.

## DISCUSS THE STRIKE OF MINERS AT FRANK

Investigation of Situation Will Be Made by Board Before An Action Is Authorized—Search for Success of Japanese Murderer is Still in Progress.

Lethbridge, Feb. 18.—The miners' commission assembled here yesterday and discussed the strike situation at Frank. The miners there asked the district to endorse and support them financially in a strike. The convention decided to express its opinion on the matter but requested President Powell and the international board members Rogers and Garner, to go to Frank and investigate the situation thoroughly and report to the district executive board.

It is understood the president will visit the men back pending negotiations with the company. The convention will ask the government to have established life saving stations equipped with Draper apparatus at all mining points.

The search for Ushima, the supposed Japanese murderer of Louise Marquette and Jack Erving, at Taber last Tuesday, continues diligently and it is believed that the search will be completed by the end of the week. The victims were buried yesterday at Taber.

## OTTAWA MILITARY MAN UNDER ARREST

Major Arnold, Well Known in Militia Circle of the Capital Area, of Forgery of the Embarcation on a Cheque for \$167.29.

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—Major Ernest C. Arnold, a well known local military officer, was arrested on a warrant charging him with forgery of an endorsement on a check. It is alleged that Major Arnold passed a check, at the Bank of Montreal, drawn by Burgess and Sons, a contractor, on the Mutual Bank.

He was the agent of the Don Valley Brick Works and it was this endorsement he is alleged to have forged. The check, No. 116729 and was passed on November 25 last. The information was given by Archibald G. Parker, manager of the Bank of Montreal.

At the police court on Saturday the case was remanded till Friday next on request of Arnold's counsel, hall being accepted.

Major Arnold is a well known citizen engaged in the brokerage business. He has been long connected with military life. He was in Ottawa and was until recently the adjutant of the 8th Artillery Brigade. He was also at one time major of the 2nd Field Battery.

**BEAVER HILLS.**  
Hills are out for a sale at John Hare's, west of Beaver Hills P.O., on Monday, February 20.

Rev. Mr. Abernethy, of Stony Plain, occupied the pulpit in the Lutheran Church on Sunday.

Frank Weder returned from a trip to Red Deer last week, greatly delighted with his visit to his old friends after twenty-two years' separation. Mr. and Mrs. Weder and Fred Weder spent a portion of last week in town.

Mr. Dear, the genial postmaster, is recovering from a severe attack of the grip. Miss Fischer is also recovering from illness.

All are sorry to learn that Mrs. R. Weder has been quite ill the past few days.

John Fischer entertained his friends to a nice quiet little party on Monday evening.

Hay and grain are moving freely these days. The crushing outfit are running over time to keep up with their work.

Beaver Hills, Feb. 16.

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Every Suit, every Coat and all the goods throughout the store have their original price marked on the original tickets, and the sale price on special tabs, so that you can see for yourself exactly what the reduction is in each case.

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Full length, semi fitted styles, a coat that will stand lots of wear and keep out the rain.

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